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As a below named inventors, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under our names.

We believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled ROLLABLE MULCH CARPET, the specification of which is submitted herewith and identified by attorney docket number BUHG 8858.

I hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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